Welding Technology
Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
2016 - 2017

CHAIRPERSON:		
Tim Ligocky		
MEETING DATE:	MEETING TIME:	MEETING PLACE:
November 10, 2016	6:00 p.m.	MSC-Bluebonnet Room Uvalde Campus
RECORDER:		PREVIOUS MEETING:
Vanessa Verjan		November 19, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Name and Business	Name and Business	Name and Business
Baker, Don	Heintzelman, Jarod	Kimball, Frank
Baker Rentals	Martin Marietta	Bumper Manufacturing
Ligocky, Tim	Mehrle, Derek	Metzger, Kenneth
Tim's	Continental Tire	Mortenson
Ramirez, Anna	Rodriguez, Jonathan	Rubels, Leonard
Mortenson	RKJ Welding	Lenco Services
Smith, Jeremy	Sweet, Justin	Villarreal, David
Martin Marietta	DKM	Baker Rentals
Williams, Jolene	Williams, Richard	
RKW Pipe	RKW Pipe	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Name and Title	Name and Title	Name and Title
Buchanan, Connie	Cisneros, Richard	Guzman, Johnny
Division Chair	Welding Instructor	Dean of Applied Science
Ruiz, Luis	Sanchez, Damacio	Torres, Michelle
CTE Counselor	Outreach Coordinator	Director of Outreach
Valdez, Leo	Verjan, Vanessa	Villarreal, Richard
Welding Instructor	Admin. Assist. Applied Science	Instructor
Ybarra, Alberto	Zavala, Joe	Gas, Jonathan
Welding Instructor	Instructor	SWTJC Student

AGENDA/MINUTES:

Agenda Item	m Action/Discussion/ Responsibility Information	
Meeting to Order/Welcome Remarks & Introductions:	Meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. Administration, faculty and guests (committee members) introduced themselves. Everyone was thanked for attending the meeting.	Albert Ybarra
Appointment/Continuation of New Chairperson	Don Baker nominated Tim Ligocky to be chairperson. Jolene Williams seconded the motion; all in favor. Motion carried by acclamation.	Committee
SWTJC Technical Programs Advisory Committee Guidelines Review	Connie Buchanan explained the guidelines/functions of the Advisory Committee. The committee must meet at least once a year and have a quorum present. However, contact with members throughout the year via e-mail, fax or phone is strongly recommended. It is imperative that SWTJC Technical Programs are aware of what it is that employers are looking for in the graduates, as well as keeping up with new technology, program improvement suggestions, and representing the needs of students from special populations.	Connie Buchanan

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	Guidelines were included in packet	
Reading & Approval of Minutes	Everyone read the minutes. Tim Ligocky motioned to approve; Jolene Williams seconded the motion. All in favor – Minutes were approved without any changes.	Committee
Old Business:	None.	
Continuing Business:	None.	
New Business:		
Review of Technical Programs Dashboard/Comparison of Fall 2015 to Fall 2016 Enrollment	Dashboard information, the following is current enrollment: Fall 2015: 32 (first time in college student). Fall 2015: 104 (student enrollment for program). Fall 2016: 70 (first time in college student). Fall 2016: 176 (student enrollment for program).	Connie Buchanan
	There are a total of 5 female students enrolled in the Welding Technology Program.	Albert Ybarra
2. Facility Upgrades	Eagle Pass opened a new facility for the Welding Technology Program. Currently, there are 36 students enrolled and two classes are being taught at this location	Albert Ybarra
3. Certification Pass Rate	Last year's graduates and certificate awards: 19 students graduated and 9 received a certificate. 11 students graduated and 11 received a certificate. 10 students graduated and 6 received a certificate. 15 students graduated and 11 received a certificate.	Albert Ybarra
4. New AAS Degree and 2 nd year Certificate	Dean Guzman introduced the proposed draft Level 2 and AAS options with the committee. The following equipment will be purchased for the advance courses: • Air Cold Tig Welder • Water Tig Welder • Plasma CNC Cutting Machine	Johnny Guzman
Curriculum Decisions:	None.	
Discussion/Other:	Discussion: Albert informed the committee members of what certificates students can receive: • 1G Flat position is an open root. • 2G Horizontal. • 3G Vertical, working from the bottom up. • 4G Overhead.	Albert Ybarra
	Dean Guzman explained the difference between the 2nd year certificate and the Associate of Applied Science (AAS). The difference between the AAS and the 2nd year certificate, the AAS requires 15 hour academic credits. The first cohort will start Fall 2017, with classes taught in the evening. Registration will open late Spring of 2017.	Johnny Guzman

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	Dean Guzman added that in the past they had proposed to have the warehouse become an additional welding shop and in return build a new warehouse near the Maintenance Department. Kenneth Metzger asked to be sure and put more emphasis on teaching students how to read basic blueprint. All other Committee Members agreed with the draft degree plans.	Kenneth Metzger
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn was made by Tim Ligocky; seconded by Frank Kimball. All in favor, meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.	

Lunch was provided

RECORDER SIGNATURE:	// //	DATE:	NEXT MEETING:
			Fall 2017, unless otherwise
			notified.